MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

JULY 11, 2016

INVOCATION:
Mayor Patino asked for a moment of silence for the fallen Police Officers in Dallas, Texas. Capt. Fredrick T. Morgan of the Civil Air Patrol gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Orach led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Finance Harvey, City Librarian Housel, Director of Public Works Kahn, Interim Fire Chief Kenley, Human Resources Manager Ladue, Police Chief Martin, Assistant City Attorney Mollenkopf, Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Springer, Deputy City Manager Stilwell, Planner III Zayer, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. LIBRARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH - LIBRARY
Councilmember Zuniga presented a certificate of appreciation and plaque to the Library's Volunteer of the Month, Peter Burgett, thanking him for his contributions to the Library's Homework Help Program.

City Librarian Housel thanked Mr. Burgett for his passion for volunteering and ability to work well with children.

B. PRESENTATION – SPIRIT OF SANTA MARIA AWARD
Mayor Patino, along with Director of Recreation and Parks Posada, presented the All-America City Committee's 2016 Spirit of Santa Maria Award to Cristal Robles. Mr. Posada commented that Ms. Robles was chosen to be the recipient of this year's Award because, as a busy high school student, her scope of volunteerism was impressive. He explained how she had taken the time to be involved in One Community Action Coalition as a spokesperson against youth violence. Ms. Robles had also been a Police Explorer under the Santa Maria Police Department and had been active in building positive police-community relations.

Ms. Robles thanked the Council and stated she hoped to continue to be a positive influence on other youth in the community.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Mayor Patino asked City Manager Haydon to give an update on the Fourth of July activities.

City Manager Haydon introduced Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Interim Fire Chief Kenley, and Police Chief Martin who each gave updates from their respective Departments regarding the Fourth of July festivities.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada thanked local residents and businesses for their contributions raising enough money to hold the fireworks show (approximately $30,000). During the afternoon about 350 participants took advantage of various activities on the Pioneer Valley High School grounds. About 100 people used the aquatics center. Approximately 700 cars used the high school parking lot, each paying a five dollar fee to the high school. These fees were donated to the school's Student Association. The fireworks show was a distance away from the school grounds so as to have a minimum of 1,000 feet between the show and attendees. Overall the evening was a success and, at the end of the show, the parking lot cleared in about 25 minutes.

Interim Fire Chief Kenley reported that the Fire Department participated in task force logistics several weeks before the Fourth of July. A total of 14 citations were issued during this time and outreach efforts were conducted to let City residents know about planned activities as well as restrictions on fireworks use. Individual meetings were held with 10 concerned residents. Inspections were conducted at 23 safe and sane fireworks booths, 6 booths needed re-inspections. About six block party permits were issued. One was revoked due to the use of illegal fireworks, and they will not be able to obtain a future permit. The finale of the fireworks show generated a two-engine response due to a grass fire along the bank of the river. There were five other responses related to fireworks

incidents, one caused minor damage to an adjacent residence (less than $500). The Fire Department did not respond to any calls for fireworks-related injuries; however, there was one second hand report of a fireworks-related injury transported to the hospital by private vehicle.

Police Chief Martin indicated that the task force was established in early June to help with outreach to provide education-based information regarding the City's new fireworks regulations. 193 calls were received by dispatch between July 1st and 6th, approximately 85 of the calls were on July 4th. The Fireworks Hotline received 78 calls in June. An additional 491 hotline calls were received in July. There were two criminal misdemeanor citations issued. One criminal felony citation was issued due to the illegal fireworks exceeding a certain capacity. Overall, 23 administrative citations were issued ($1,000 each for illegal fireworks use), 3 of which were issued on July 5th. One of the citations issues was for a $100 fine for the illegal use of safe and sane fireworks, and one was a third-party citation where the resident signed the citation. Prior to the Fourth of July, Police and Code Enforcement Officials visited 12 different neighborhoods conducting outreach in areas where calls were previously received about illegal fireworks use.

Councilmembers Boysen and Orach commented that leading up to the Fourth of July and after the Fourth of July that illegal fireworks seemed to be significantly less than in prior years. However, on the day of July 4th, usage seemed much higher than usual.

Councilmember Orach also thanked the Police Department for keeping traffic flowing once the fireworks show was over in the area around Pioneer High School.

Mayor Patino asked about calls for service regarding animals.

Jan Glick, Director of Animal Services with the Humane Society, was present in the audience and City Manager Haydon invited her to comment. She stated calls were decreased this year in comparison to previous years. Forty-four dogs were received at the Humane Society, 22 of which had been returned to their owners.

City Manager Haydon thanked the Fire and Police Department, along with Code Enforcement and the City Rangers for their efforts working together as a fireworks task force. He also summarized efforts taken to educate the public on the holiday's festivities. He asked Police Chief Martin to then make some comments on use of force policy within the Department.

Police Chief Martin stated the Police Department began collecting in-depth statistics on all uses of force incidents about four years ago using a software program called IAPro/Blue Team. The program allows the Police Department to track use of force incidents and other incidents involving all of the Department's personnel. It provides a management snapshot of each and every person and everything that they do. In 2015, the Department arrested over 6,000 people and force was used 1.7 percent of the time (104 times). The national average use of force is around 2 percent. He indicated that he uses a four-category severity chart which begins with verbal commands, hands on and holds, the use of instruments, up to deadly force. Of the 104 incidents, the vast majority were less than significant meaning that no one required medical attention. They were pain compliance holds, but are documented as a use of force. Documenting these types of incidents shows the totality of the force. Should there be a deadly use of force incident, the Department can show that it is compliant and does not have a pattern of excessive use of force. If only significant use of force events are collected, the courts could determine that was the only type of force used by the Department. The Office of Independent Review will require the Department to send samples of the data collected to be critically reviewed during its audit of the Department. All Police Department use of force incidents, as well as other activities, are collected by the program and are posted on the City's website in an attempt to remain as transparent as possible to the community. The Department has spent 5,000 hours in training to provide a more professional way of doing business.

Councilmember Boysen encouraged everyone to go to the City's website and take a look at the Crime Mapping Program on the Police Department's page.

Police Chief Martin stated the City is in the process of purchasing the new Motorola PremierOne Computer Aided Dispatch System which will allow incident data to be captured more efficiently.

There were no requests to speak.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Councilmember Waterfield recused herself from voting on Item 3D (Warrants) due to a financial conflict of interest. Councilmember Boysen indicated that he would recuse himself from voting on Item 3G (607 W. Cook Street) due to a conflict of interest as Good Samaritan is his employer.

Councilmember Orach asked to comment on Items 3C, 3F, 3I, 3J, 3K, and 3L.

Councilmember Zuniga asked to comment on Item 3K.

3C – Personnel Changes
Councilmember Orach commented that he agreed with the changes and the reorganization of Special Projects being moved under Community Development and Information Technology under the City Manager's Office from the former Administrative Services Department, now Department of Finance.

3F (d) - Agreement with Northern Santa Barbara County United Way
Councilmember Orach asked if the item could be tabled and expressed concerns about approving a funding allocation to the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness (C3H). He emphasized that Council would like to see deliverables and outcomes of granting the additional $12,000 to C3H, particularly since C3H staff time was being reduced.

City Manager Haydon responded saying staff had met with C3H staff recently and learned their part-time coordinator position was no longer going to be working in the North County. A policy committee meeting was scheduled for July 14th at which time Councilmembers Boysen and Zuniga could ask why the transition was happening. Mr. Haydon suggested that, since all the agreements under the umbrella of Item 3F had their own resolutions, Council could choose to vote separately on the resolution. He also pointed out that the Agreement stated the first $12,000 would be payable prior to January 2017. The additional $12,000 would not be payable until after January 2017, thus allowing Council time to reassess the situation and make any changes.

Councilmember Boysen encouraged Council to move forward with the item saying that he, Councilmember Zuniga, and City staff would be able to learn more about the deliverable outcomes during the upcoming meeting. He indicated that the City had not distributed the funding, and could hold off doing so until the deliverables were received. He would like the policy council to have the opportunity to explain and provide the information requested and the deliverable achieved.

Mayor Patino and Councilmembers Waterfield and Orach were not in favor of moving forward approving the resolution without the deliverables from C3H.

City Manager Haydon indicated that an item can be brought back to Council on August 2nd after meeting with the policy council and obtaining the deliverables,

Councilmember Zuniga stated that she would support approving the resolution if the Council could be assured that it has the ability to not allocate the funding if after attending the meeting they were not satisfied with what they heard. She stated that, by not approving the resolution, the Council would be making an assumption about the elimination of the part time person.

Mayor Patino indicated that, when C3H came and spoke to the Council, assurances were made that have yet to be delivered upon and now the Council was hearing about reductions in staff.

Councilmember Boysen indicated that he agreed with making the initial $12,000 contribution that the City had already been making.

City Manager Haydon suggested that language be added to Item 3 of the Resolution adding the words "unless otherwise authorized and directed by the City Council." It would allow the resolution to be adopted and move forward. Prior to distributing the additional funding, a report from Councilmembers Boysen and Zuniga on what direction C3H was going before making the final decision to cut the check. He indicated that he would agendize the matter for the August 2nd for further discussion.

Item 3I (Extended hours at the Los Alamos Branch Library)
Councilmember Orach commented that part of a recent LAFCO meeting discussion included a possible attempt to create a Countywide Community Library District.

Item 3K (Notice of Completion – Oakley Park Improvements)
Councilmembers Zuniga and Orach indicated they were pleased with the completion of the Oakley Park Improvements Project and thanked those involved with the project.

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3M (except Items 3D and 3G) were approved, as amended to include the phrase "unless otherwise authorized and directed by the City Council" to the end of Item 3 of Resolution No. 2016-95 (Item 3F-d) on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Item 3D only, Warrants, was approved, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Waterfield

Consent Calendar Item 3G only, 607 W. Cook Street, was approved, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Boysen

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the regular Meeting of the City Council of June 21, 2016, were approved as submitted.

C. PERSONNEL CHANGES
Resolution Nos. 2016-90 and 2016-91 were adopted authorizing the creation of new classifications, modifications to specifications, reclassifications to existing positions, adjustments to salary ranges, abolishing a classification no longer in use, and amending the Conflict of Interest Code as a result of the adoption of the 2016-18 City Budget.

Resolution No. 2016-90 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING NEW CLASSIFICATIONS, MODIFICATIONS TO SALARY RANGES, AND ABOLISHING JOB CLASSIFICATIONS AS A RESULT OF THE ADOPTION OF THE 2016-18 BUDGET.

Resolution No. 2016-91 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING APPENDIX "A" OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE FOR DESIGNATED FILERS OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA.

D. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 201269 to 201531 totaling $1,949,415.74 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant No. 196804 was cancelled.

E. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

F. ANNUAL AGREEMENTS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES
Resolution No. 2016-92 was adopted approving an operating agreement with the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Resolution No. 2016-92 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR VISITORS AND CONVENTION BUREAU SERVICES.

Resolution No. 2016-93 was adopted approving an operating agreement with the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society.

Resolution No. 2016-93 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM.

Resolution No. 2016-94 to be adopted approving an operating agreement with the Santa Maria Museum of Flight.

Resolution No. 2016-94 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE SANTA MARIA MUSEUM OF FLIGHT.

Resolution No. 2016-95 was adopted, as amended to include the phrase "unless otherwise authorized and directed by the City Council" to the end of Item 3 of Resolution No. 2016-95, approving an operating agreement with the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County.

Resolution No. 2016-95 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED WAY OF NORTHERN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

Resolution No. 2016-96 was adopted approving an operating agreement with the County of Santa Barbara for animal control services.

Resolution No. 2016-96 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.

Resolution No. 2016-97 was adopted approving an addendum to the agreement between the City of Santa Maria and the Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Services.

Resolution No. 2016-97 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CURRENT AGREEMENT AND FUNDING FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES WITH THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

G. 607 W. COOK STREET PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2016-98 was adopted rescinding Item 2 of Resolution No. 2010-121 referring to the 607 W. Cook Street property and authorizing the transfer of 607 W. Cook Street to Good Samaritan Shelter, Inc. rather than to Peoples' Self-Help Housing Corporation.

Resolution No. 2016-98 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF 607 WEST COOK STREET TO GOOD SAMARITAN SHELTER, INC.

H. HEIGHT FLEXIBILITY – PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT

The City Council conducted the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2016-15 amending Title 12 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code to allow height flexibility in the Planned Development Overlay District.

Ordinance No. 2016-15 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 12 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW HEIGHT FLEXIBILITY IN THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT.

I. LIBRARY HOURS – LOS ALAMOS BRANCH

Resolution No. 2016-99 was adopted extending library hours at the Los Alamos Branch Library from 16 hours per week to 23 hours per week for a three year period.

Resolution No. 2016-99 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING EXTENDED HOURS AT THE LOS ALAMOS BRANCH LIBRARY.

J. DONATION TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 2016-100 approving a donation of $50,000 to the City of Santa Maria Police Department from the Santa Maria Police Council for the purchase of bulletproof vests and tasers.

Resolution No. 2016-100 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING RECEIPT OF A $50,000 DONATION FROM THE SANTA MARIA POLICE COUNCIL TO THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

K. NOTICE OF COMPLETION – OAKLEY PARK IMPROVEMENTS
The Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2015/05, Oakley Park Improvements, was approved, and the Chief Deputy City Clerk was directed to record the same.

L. AWARD OF BID
Resolution No. 2016-101 was adopted awarding the bid for Jim May Park Denitrification Biofilter, Bid No. 2016/02 to Whitaker Construction Group, Inc. for $894,230.

Resolution No. 2016-101 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH WHITAKER CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC., FOR BID NO. 2016/02, JIM MAY PARK DENITRIFICATION BIOFILTER PROJECT.

M. AWARD OF BID
Resolution No. 2016-102 was adopted awarding the bid for West Stowell Road Improvements-Entrada Way to SR 135, Bid No. 2015/07 to J.F. Will Company for $248,256.

Resolution No. 2016-102 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH J.F. WILL COMPANY INC., FOR BID NO. 2015/07, WEST STOWELL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS - ENTRADA TO SR135.

APPOINTMENTS

4. APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES. Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The Council was asked to make appointments to the Block Grants Advisory Committee, the Library Board of Trustees, and the Recreation and Parks Commission; and direct staff to re-advertise remaining vacancies on any other Board or Committee.

Public Input
Laurie Tamura, representing Urban Planning Concepts, spoke about the new proposed Downtown Revitalization Committee. She commented that she felt it was unnecessary for the City to create another Committee. She also asked that, if a Committee was created, its members would include business owners and/or property owners in the Downtown.

Block Grants Advisory Committee
Five terms expire at the end of July 2016. Applications were received from incumbents Greg Burtnett, Rosalie Marquez, and Tim Seifert. Incumbents Vincent Thomas and Donna Wolcott did not reapply. No new applications were received.

Councilmember Boysen nominated Greg Burtnett.
Councilmember Zuniga nominated Rosalie Marquez.
Mayor Patino nominated Tim Seifert.

Mayor Patino asked Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz to re-advertise the remaining vacancies on the Committee and receive additional applications. Mayor Patino accepted the three nominations and on motion, seconded by Councilmember Orach, Greg Burtnett, Rosalie Marquez, and Tim Seifert were reappointed to the Block Grants Advisory Committee to serve a term of three years ending in July 2019, and carried unanimously: 5-0

Recreation and Parks Commission
One vacancy on the Commission exists for the unexpired term ending in January 2019 following the recent resignation of Robert Litzinger who was nominated by Councilmember Boysen. One new application was received from Jeanne Sparks.

Councilmember Boysen indicated that he was not prepared to make a nomination and requested that the vacancy be re-advertised to accept additional applications.

Library Board of Trustees
Three terms expire on the Library Board of Trustees at the end of July 2016. Incumbents Avery Gallas, Sara Lougee, and Jacqueline MacNeil each reapplied. No other applications were received. On motion by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, Avery Gallas, Sara Lougee, and

Jacqueline MacNeil were reappointed to the Library Board of Trustees to serve a term of three years ending in July 2019, and carried unanimously: 5-0

Staff was directed to continue advertising the remaining vacancies on the Block Grants Advisory Committee, Board of Appeals, Landmark Committee, Measure U2012 Citizens' Oversight Committee, Recreation and Parks Commission, Santa Barbara County Library Advisory Board, and the Santa Maria Community Television Board.

New Downtown Revitalization Committee

Planner III Zayer announced that the Community Development Department was in the process of putting together a Downtown Revitalization Committee. The plan was to begin with a three-member committee consisting of a Councilmember, a Recreation and Parks Commissioner, and a Planning Commissioner. The proposed Committee would assist or provide some direction of various projects such as using the funding from Caltrans to do treescapes on major streets in the Downtown with extensive public outreach to help create the plan. A second possible project would be to look at properties in the Downtown that the City owned and potential opportunities with each. The expectation was that the Committee would take the information received from outreach efforts and then give direction. In the future, the committee would transition into more of a Downtown Association made up of property owners, Chamber members, and residents.

The Planning Commission had appointed Commissioner Dickerson to serve on the Committee. One representative was still needed from the Recreation and Parks Commission and the City Council.

Councilmember Waterfield asked what would be different with the committee compared to information already provided to and approved by Council.

Planner III Zayer responded that the previous outreach helped establish the three-pronged approach to revitalizing the Downtown. This new committee would be the next step in conducting outreach to begin taking action in a certain direction under the umbrella of the $300,000 grant from Caltrans.

Councilmembers Boysen, Waterfield and Zuniga each expressed an interest in being appointed to the Committee.

City Manager Haydon commented that past efforts to establish a Merchant's Association in the Downtown resulted in more staff presence than merchant presence. The goal with this committee would be to get momentum with the project so more merchants would want to be involved.

Mayor Patino asked audience member Glenn Morris, CEO of the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce, whether there was any organizing being done currently with business owners in the Downtown. Mr. Morris responded that an outreach plan was being created to engage more businesses in the planning process.

The City Council agreed to add the Councilmember appointment to the new Downtown Revitalization Committee to the agenda for the August 2, 2016 City Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. 2016 ANNUAL WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM. Director of Public Works Kahn gave the presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. In March, the City mailed out 242 letters to property owners notifying them their property was in need of weed abatement. Most of the property owners took care of their own property. The City conducted weed abatement on 14 parcels. Staff was recommending the cost of the abatement be placed on the property tax bill for these properties. The reimbursements would be collected by the Santa Barbara County Auditor-Controller's Office and refunded to the City.

Public Comment

Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz indicated that no formal written protests were received relating to the 2016 weed abatement assessments.

Mayor Patino opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. and immediately closed the public hearing having no requests to speak.

Council Discussion

There was no discussion by the City Council.

The City Council conducted a public hearing to hear protests against the abatement of public nuisances such as noxious and dangerous weeds, rubbish, refuse, and dirt. Since no majority protest existed, the City Council authorized the Director of Public Works to perform abatement of the nuisances from public and unimproved private lots.

Resolution No. 2016-103 was adopted overruling objections to the abatement and directing the abatement of the nuisances, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-103 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING REPORT OF WEED ABATEMENT COSTS FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES BY THE STREET MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR.

REGULAR BUSINESS

6. COUNCIL SALARIES. City Manager Haydon gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report to introduce for first reading, and continue to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, an ordinance amending Section 2-2.02 of the Municipal Code increasing Council salaries by $263 per month. Council salaries had not been increased in over eight years. City Councilmembers have the authority to increase their salaries either through Charter authority or by the Government Code by five percent for each calendar year from the operative date of the last adjustment of the salary.

A comparison chart was provided with the Council Agenda Report demonstrating that San Luis Obispo Councilmembers receive $150 more than the City of Santa Maria Councilmembers. Additionally, Santa Maria Councilmembers receive a third of the salary that Santa Barbara Councilmembers receive. Despite the fact that it had been eight years since Council had had a raise, three of those years were during the recession when no salary increases were granted to City staff. Therefore, staff recommended a salary increase of $263 per month based on five percent over the last five years, to be effective with the new Council terms in December 2016.

Public Input
There were no requests to speak.

Council Discussion
Councilmember Boysen commented that many of the functions Councilmembers attend were not financed by the City and, typically, Councilmembers paid their own way using the stipends. He also said he did not want the City to get into a situation where someone chose not to run for a Council seat due to a significant financial burden. He requested that City Councilmembers be included each year when salary negotiations with the non-represented Management employees were taking place.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that she would support the proposed five percent over five years and she did not expect to receive a raise when none of the staff had received raises for the three recession years.

Councilmember's Orach, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino agreed and reiterated the need for stipend monies to help finance the events they were expected to attend as representatives of the City.

Councilmember Boysen requested a review of the stipends for the Planning Commission and Recreation and Parks Commission and asked that the item be placed on the August 2nd Council Meeting agenda.

City Attorney Trujillo indicated it would be easy to add that item as stipends for both Commissions were made by resolution adopted by the City Council.

Ordinance No. 2016-16 was introduced for first reading, and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, amending Section 2-2.02 of the Municipal Code increasing Council salaries by $263 per month, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2016-16 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA AMENDING TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2-2 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported the next meeting would be August 2, 2016 and would include the determination of the Voting Delegate and Alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference, the second reading of the Council stipends ordinance, a Short Range Transit Plan, a funding discussion on C3H, the appointment of a Councilmember to the Downtown Revitalization Committee, and adjustments to the Planning Commission and Recreation and Parks Commission stipends.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Zuniga thanked everyone involved in the Oakley Park renovation and acknowledged Interim Fire Chief Kenley and Chief of Police Martin for their continuing efforts in the community.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended two meetings with Windset Farms, the Fire Department Badge Pinning, and the Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony.

Councilmember Orach reported he attended the League of California Cities Mayors and Council Members Forum in Monterey, the Police Department's Swearing-in Ceremony, the Patty Rodriguez Family Reunion at the Elks Club, the birthday party for Mayor Patino, the Fireworks Show at Pioneer Valley High School, a LAFCO meeting, and Concerts in the Park.

Councilmember Boysen reported he attended the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) monthly board meeting. He also reported the CCWA received a letter from the Department of Water Resources granting the suspended Table A water to the County of Santa Barbara.

Mayor Patino reported she gave the State of the City Address along with City Manager Haydon at the Chamber's luncheon, met with Windset Farms, attended the Olympic Day Celebration Event at Pioneer High, administered the Oath of Office at the Fire Department's Badge Pinning, spoke at Relay for Life, attended the swearing-in at the Police Department, attended a briefing on the Depot Street Residence Project, attended the 92nd Annual Pioneer Picnic, spoke on the Ben Heighes radio show, presented certificates at the Humane Society's Junior Vet Program, and attended Concerts in the Park.

CLOSED SESSION
The City Council convened to a Closed Session at 8:17 p.m. regarding 1) Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d)(1) of the Government Code. Case No. ADJ3249698; and 2) Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9 Subdivision (d)(1) of the Government Code. Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District v. City of Santa Maria, et al., Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 1997-1-CV-770214.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT
Following the Closed Session, City Attorney Trujillo reported there were no reportable actions for either Closed Session item.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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APPROVED:

August 2, 2016
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk